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(b) The Nilgiri Power Syndicate has a licence to supply electric energy to Wellington, Ootacamund, Coonoor and within 5 miles outside Coimbatore. The Syndicate had also a concession for the development of power from the Kundah river, but that has lapsed. Another syndicate in England has had a concession for the generation of power from the Pykara river; but as stated in the answer to question No. 399 the Government have been negotiating for the purchase of this concession and have recently brought the negotiations to a conclusion.

Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR :—“With reference to the answer given in clause (b), may I know whether there are only two companies to whom licences were issued? I thought there were three.”

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“At the present moment it is only the Pykara concession which has been purchased.”

Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR :—“The Syndicate is outstanding.”

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR :—“Yes.”

The RAJA OF RAMNAD :—“These are all yesterday's questions and answers. Most of the Members have not got copies of them. If there are spare copies we shall be obliged if they are supplied to us.”



#### Irrigation.

*Irrigation in Palayakayal village Tinnevelly district.*

\* 401 Q.—Rao Bahadur CRUZ FERNANDEZ: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the ryots of Palayakayal village, Srivakuntam taluk, Tinnevelly district, have memorialised Government regarding the irrigation of the lands under Palayakayal tank in their village; and

(b) if so, what has been done with the said memorial and whether any orders have been passed to inquire into the statements contained therein?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The memorial has been sent to the Chief Engineer.

*Separate channel for Palayakayal tank.*

\* 402 Q.—Rao Bahadur CRUZ FERNANDEZ: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Palayakayal tank was originally designed to be fed by the North main channel system and whether the ryots of the said village have contributed a sum of Rs. 1,420 in the year 1869 with an express condition that a separate channel would be given to the Palayakayal tank from Peikulam tank;

(b) whether it is a fact that their village tank was originally fed through a separate sluice No. 4 of Peikulam tank which is still called ‘Kaya Madai’ in the bed of which the North main channel runs;